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Ellis Brown **Brown Brothers Construction** P.O. Box 249 Loa, Utah 84747-0249

Subject:

Reclamation Surety Required, Brown Brothers Construction, Natural Buttes Mine, S/047/0108, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Brown:

The referenced Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI), received by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining on August 8, 2012, is complete with the exception the reclamation bonding requirement. The required reclamation surety is either \$51,100 for a three-year escalation or \$52,200 for a fiveyear escalation. This was determined based on information in the following table.

> Small Mine Operation Bond Calculation Worksheet S/047/0108 3-year escalation (2015)

	Qty	Unit	
Item		Cost	Total Cost
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$7,900.00	\$7,900.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance	9	\$4,800.00	\$43,200.00
Add'l equipment mob (over 5 acre)	0	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL			\$51,100.00

5-year escalation (2017)

		Unit	
Item	Qty	Cost	Total Cost
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$8,100.00	\$8,100.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance	9	\$4,900.00	\$44,100.00
Add'l equipment mob (over 5 acres)		\$3,000.00	\$0.00
TOTAL			\$52,200.00

Please submit the reclamation surety and reclamation contract by September 13, 2012. No additional mining related disturbance may be created until the surety is received and approved and you have received written acceptance from this office as well as other applicable agencies. Please reclaim your disturbed active area to 10 acres shown on Figure 1 in the NOI. This also needs to be completed by September 13, 2012.

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The reclamation surety can be submitted in one of several forms, including an irrevocable letter of credit, a certificate of deposit, cash or a surety bond. Please contact Penny Berry at 801-538-5291 or by e mail at bondcoordinator@utah.gov for assistance in completing this requirement.

Information from the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) indicates the area has been surveyed for cultural resources and that there is a site, 42Un1108, eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The Division does not have information about the location of this site, but it must be avoided.

Please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Leslie Heppler at 801-538-5257 if you have any questions regarding this letter. In reply please refer to file number S/047/0108.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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